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For: ***"STRUCTURAL PREDICTION OF ALLOSTERISM"***

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification by inserting the attached "page 17" between pages 16 and 18 of the specification.

REMARKS

By this amendment, the specification of the application has been amended by the insertion of page 17 between page 16 and page 18 of the application.

Applicant submits that the entry of page 17 does not constitute the introduction of new matter because the subject matter of page 17 is merely:

1) the last 14 words of a sentence (begun on page 16) which describes Figure 3C. A description of Figure 3C that is nearly identical is also found in the Brief Description of the